CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

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IRRIGATION DISTRICTS--PAYMENT METHODS

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BRAD OWEN

President of the Senate

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CERTIFICATE

I, Tony M. Cook, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 6740** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

FRANK CHOPP

Speaker of the House of Representatives

TONY M. COOK

Secretary

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By Senators Rasmussen, Swecker, Shin and Parlette

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to irrigation districts' acceptance of methods of
- 2 payment; and adding a new section to chapter 87.03 RCW.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 87.03 RCW 5 to read as follows:
- 6 Irrigation districts that have designated their own treasurers as
- provided in RCW 87.03.440 may accept credit cards, charge cards, debit
- cards, smart cards, stored value cards, federal wire, and automatic 8
- clearinghouse system transactions, or other electronic communication, 9
- 10 for any payment of any kind including, but not limited to, assessments,
- fines, interest, penalties, special assessments, fees, rates, tolls and 11
- 12 charges, or moneys due irrigation districts. A payer desiring to pay
- 13 by a credit card, charge card, debit card, smart card, stored value 14
- card, federal wire, automatic clearinghouse system, or other electronic
- 15 communication shall bear the cost of processing the transaction in an
- 16 amount determined by the treasurer, unless the board of directors finds
- 17 that it is in the best interests of the district to not charge
- transaction processing costs for all payment transactions made for a 18
- 19 specific category of nonassessment payments due the district,

- 1 including, but not limited to, fines, interest not associated with
- 2 assessments, penalties not associated with assessments, special
- 3 assessments, fees, rates, tolls, and charges. The treasurer's cost
- 4 determination shall be based upon costs incurred by the treasurer and
- 5 may not, in any event, exceed the additional direct costs incurred by
- 6 the district to accept the specific form of payment used by the payer.

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